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Camp Lejeune Installation Restoration Program

PURPOSE:

To provide a brief of current Installation Restoration (IR) activities at Marine Corps Base (MCB), Camp Lejeune.

BACKGROUND:

The facility has been actively involved in the IR program since 1983, with a concerted effort in the past three years. MCB Camp Lejeune was placed on the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) National Priorities List (NPL) effective 4 November 1989. IR investigation and cleanup activities of sites listed on the NPL require evaluation and concurrence by the applicable State and Federal regulators. The public is also encouraged to participate in the decision-making process. NPL sites require actions to be conducted in accordance with a Federal Facility Agreement (FFA). The FFA was developed with input from all concerned parties and signed on 13 February 1991.

DISCUSSION:

The FFA is a 108 page document detailing the procedural and legal requirements between the Navy (acting as representative of the Marine Corps), the State of North Carolina, and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region IV for conducting IR investigations and cleanups.

The Site Management Plan (SMP) is the first deliverable required by the FFA. The SMP was submitted to the State of North Carolina and the EPA on 15 March 1991. The SMP is a document providing site prioritization and projected schedules of IR activities. The SMP is updated on a yearly basis.

The present number of sites under consideration is 34 sites. The site of major concern is the Hadnot Point Industrial Area (HPIA). The HPIA shallow aquifer has shown extensive contamination (petroleum and chlorinated solvents). We plan to conduct an interim cleanup action at the HPIA to limit the further migration of contaminants. Award for construction of this interim action is scheduled to occur in FY-92.

Three other sites of major concern are a mercury dump, a rifle range chemical dump, and a storage lot where pesticides, PCBs, and DDT have been disposed. Initiation of full scale investigations at these sites will commence late this fiscal year. Full-scale environmental investigations are scheduled to be conducted at approximately three new sites each year, with remediation of these sites to be conducted where warranted.

RECOMMENDATION:

None, for information purposes only.

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